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Governor Musgrove Addresses November Revenue Collections

Jackson, MS – Governor Ronnie Musgrove today responded to the announcement of lagging tax collections for the month of November.

“Last spring, we anticipated lower than estimated collections,” said Musgrove. “The figures released today demonstrate again the need for the legislative and executive branches to work together on a revenue estimate.”

In May 2001, Musgrove directed state agencies to budget 45 percent of their appropriations for Fiscal Year 2002 because of overoptimistic projections.

“Part of the solution to this problem lies in giving executive directors of state agencies the flexibility to plan and respond to situations such as this,” Musgrove said. “I hope this will be the case in the near future.”